IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA ATLANTA DIVISION

FRANKE WATER SYSTEMS AG and KWC AMERICA, INC.,

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Plaintiffs,

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v. * 1:14-CV-03543-ELR

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HOMECLICK, LLC,

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Defendant.

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the parties' "Consent Permanent Injunction" (Doc. No. 17). On September 3, 2014, Plaintiffs Frank Water Systems AG ("FWS") and KWC America, Inc. ("KWC"), filed this action against Defendant Homeclick for false advertising, trademark infringement, and copyright infringement. The parties now contend they have settled these claims, without admission of liability, and request the Court enter an order permanently enjoining "Defendant, its principals, agents, servants, employees, successors, and assigns, and all those in active concert of participation with them (collectively 'Defendants')," from engaging in certain conduct.

"The entry of a consent decree is more than a matter of agreement among litigants. It is a judicial act." <u>League of United Latin Am. Citizens, Council No. 4434 v. Clements</u>, 999 F.2d 831, 845 (5th Cir. 1993) (quoting <u>United States v. Swift & Co.</u>, 286 U.S. 106, 115 (1932)) (internal quotations and punctuation omitted). Further, the Eleventh Circuit has held that "[d]istrict courts should approve consent decrees so long as they are not unconstitutional, unlawful, unreasonable, or contrary to public policy." <u>Stovall v. City of Cocoa, Fla.</u>, 117 F.3d 1238, 1240 (11th Cir. 1997) (citing <u>Cotton v. Hinton</u>, 559 F.2d 1326, 1330 (5th Cir. 1977)).

After a review of the record and with guidance from the principles set forth above, the Court issues the injunction set forth below because the parties have knowingly and willingly consented to its terms and because its issuance obviates the need for further litigation. It is hereby **ORDERED** that Defendants are permanently enjoined from:

- 1) Representing to any person or entity that Defendant Homeclick is an authorized dealer for Plaintiff FWS or for Plaintiff KWC;
- 2) Representing to any person or entity that any KWC product sold by Defendant Homeclick is covered under KWC's Warranty Policy;
- 3) Using any of the "KWC Marks," as that term is defined in Plaintiff's Verified Complaint for Injunctive Relief and Damages (the "Complaint") filed in this action;

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4) Using any of "KWC's Copyrighted Materials," as that term is defined in

the Complaint, to sell any KWC product on Defendant Homeclick's

website, without the prior, written authorization of Plaintiff KWC, which

is only valid if received from Plaintiff KWC's President;

5) Selling any KWC product on Defendant Homeclick's website without the

prior written authorization of Plaintiff KWC, which authorization is only

valid if received from Plaintiff KWC's President; and

6) Selling any KWC product on any website without the prior, written

authorization of Plaintiff KWC, which authorization is only valid if

received from Plaintiff KWC's President.

Further, both parties are ORDERED to bear their own expenses and

attorneys' fees incurred up to the date this Order issues. The Court shall retain

jurisdiction over this action for the purpose of enforcing this Order. The Clerk is

DIRECTED to close the case.

SO ORDERED, this 12th day of March, 2015.

Eleanor L. Ross

United States District Judge

Northern District of Georgia